

Today's News - August 22, 2003

Ground Zero: High hopes that Calatrava will keep other players "honest." – High praise for high octane during blackout (we'd beg to differ, but the comments section seems to cover all the bases). – Brick roads making a most welcome comeback. – Public housing project named among "10 Buildings in America's Future" in the 1950s faces wrecking ball. – Public housing project in the U.K. makes Cabe top-10 (though why architects - other than Foster and Libeskind - aren't mentioned is always a mystery to us). – Architecture the answer to dreary homeless shelters. – Toronto university projects changing the face of the city - for the better. – Chicago architecture turning the city into "Blah-ville" with "plop architecture." – Not all are happy with plans for Princeton parking lots. – UConn lines up a billion for building projects. – Architects and facility managers collaborate (it only took five years).

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